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## Dear Catherine:

Thank you for your letter dated July 9, 2004 and for the support you expressed of the Governor's California Hydrogen Highway Network. The perspective and insights expressed are particularly valuable given the breadth and depth of the CaFCP's experience in the "real world." I find the supporting documents particularly encouraging as we embark on this ambitious journey to bring sustainable transportation to California. We have found them to be consistent with the types of California Hydrogen Blueprint Plan recommendations that are being considered and have already disseminated the Partnership's input to the Topic Team leaders and asked them to consider the recommendations as they formulate mechanisms to achieve the Governor's vision.

We appreciate your input from a hydrogen fuel cell vehicle perspective and recognize that the California H2 Net will host a range of hydrogen technologies, such as hydrogen internal combustion engine vehicles, fuel cell buses, energy stations, long-haul truck auxiliary power units, and industrial uses. These will be critical components to the CA H2 Net, and it is this combination of elements that will ultimately shape the CA H2 Net at the end of the decade.

I look forward to a continued exchange of ideas over the next few months as we prepare the Blueprint Plan. The State of California is fortunate to have an institution such as the CaFCP that can serve as a rich resource as we move forward in implementing the CA H2 Net.

Regards,

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